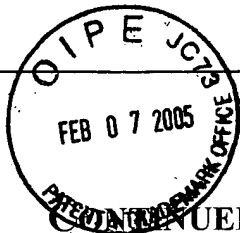


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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

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| Filing Date | June 7, 2000 |
| First Named Inventor | Alessandro BETTA |
| Group Art Unit | 2665 |
| Examiner Name | NGUYEN, TOAN D |
| Matter Number | Q59243 |
| Title | TIME MANAGEMENT OF INFORMATION DISTRIBUTED ON K-BYTES IN SDH FRAMES |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
previously filed on August 4, 2004
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time
- v. ☐ Other _____

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2. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a
period of _____ months
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. FEES

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$790.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all
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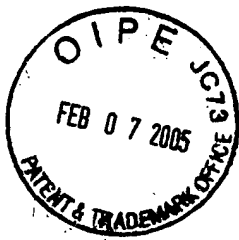
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 5, 2004 and an Advisory Action dated
October 20, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying
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